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To: Minter, Douglas [Minter.Douglas@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: DB ESA Documentation

Thanks very much. This is very helpful.

I will incorporate my notes into the Powertech meeting summary & send you the final version for your records.

Valois

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Thanks Valois: here is the chronology I am recalling:

Ex. 5 AC/DP

Some earlier history: you may recall Jim Hanley started drafting this document months before with help from Sheri Skipper who was on detail to the Region from USFWS.

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Based on the above, I think it would be good to reconnect with the USFWS folks in RC sooner than later to determine how much mutual engagement is desired over the next few months given what we know (i.e., our draft findings in the BA) at this point. This will help inform what degree of consultation is needed and what we can expect in their formal

opinion on our BA. This could also save us some time and avoid ESA from becoming a "critical path" in our decision making. These are just my thoughts on "process" so I would encourage you to ask for Kimi's input on this.

I also attached my summary notes from our call with John for you to supplement.

Douglas

From: Shea, Valois

Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 6:56 AM
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Subject: request for episodic telecommuting again today, please...

Hi Douglas,

I made a good start reading various guidance documents from USF&WS yesterday. Today I would like to

- 1) finish up the USF&WS section 7 Consultation Handbook,
- 2) read the guidance info on migratory birds,
- 3) review the work done for the SEIS and the SD large scale mine permit, and
- 4) read Bruce's biological assessment document.

He gave me the latest version he has, which is supposed to have comments from you and ORC. I am not able to see the comments, though. Do you have that version, also, with the comments visible? If so, please send it to me.

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Thanks!

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